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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office. Thank you for your response to these surveys.

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July 2006 Wheat and Oat Production Forecast

Based on July 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2006 winter wheat crop is forecast at 56.1 million bushels, unchanged from last month's forecast but 18 percent below last year's crop. Average yield is forecast at 34 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but 5 bushels below last year.

Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 1.65 million acres, 110,000 acres less than last year. Actual field counts from the Objective Yield

Survey indicated that wheat heads per square foot were 15 percent less than last year. Wheat harvest started the third full week of June, was 50 percent complete on the 2nd of July, and kept a pace sufficient to be over a week ahead of normal.

Oat production is forecast at 2.12 million bushels, down 52 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 45,000 acres, is down 15,000 acres from 2005; while yield, at 47 bushels per acre, is 26 bushels per acre below last year.

Winter Wheat and Oats: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Nebraska, and United States, 2004-2006

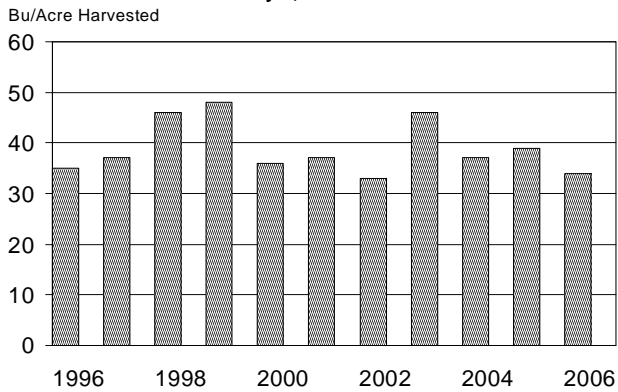
Crop		Nebraska			United States		
		2004	2005	2006 ¹	2004	2005	2006 ¹
Winter Wheat							
Harvested for Grain ²	Percent	89.2	95.1	91.7	79.5	83.6	75.2
For harvest	1,000 Acres	1,650	1,760	1,650	34,462	33,794	31,108
Yield	Bushels	37.0	39.0	34.0	43.5	44.4	41.1
Production	1,000 Bushels	61,050	68,640	56,100	1,499,434	1,499,129	1,280,005
Oats							
Harvested for Grain ²	Percent	35.7	40.0	32.1	43.7	42.9	44.2
For harvest	1,000 Acres	50	60	45	1,787	1,823	1,907
Yield	Bushels	68.0	73.0	47.0	64.7	63.0	57.9
Production	1,000 Bushels	3,400	4,380	2,115	115,695	114,878	110,322

¹ Forecast. ² Percent of seeded acreage.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, July 12, 2006

Nebraska Wheat Yield

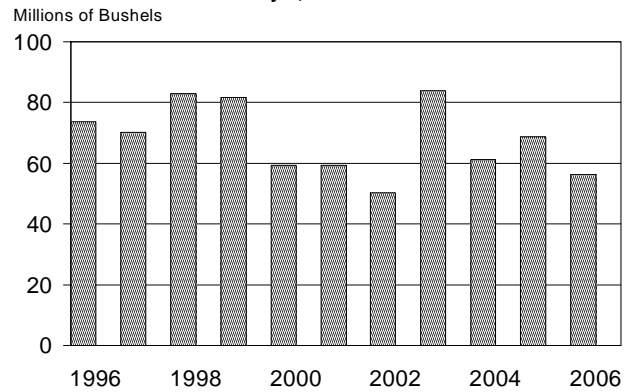
July 1, 2006 Forecast



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, July 12, 2006

Nebraska Wheat Production

July 1, 2006 Forecast



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, July 12, 2006

Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, Selected States and United States, 2005-2006

State	Acres Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2005	2006 ¹	2005	2006 ¹	2005	2006 ¹
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Colorado	2,200	2,000	24.0	21.0	52,800	42,000
Kansas	9,500	9,400	40.0	32.0	380,000	300,800
Missouri	540	870	54.0	53.0	29,160	46,110
Montana	2,100	1,950	45.0	40.0	94,500	78,000
Nebraska	1,760	1,650	39.0	34.0	68,640	56,100
Oklahoma	4,000	3,100	32.0	23.0	128,000	71,300
South Dakota	1,490	1,100	44.0	36.0	65,560	39,600
Texas	3,000	1,400	32.0	25.0	96,000	35,000
Washington	1,800	1,800	67.0	67.0	120,600	120,600
United States	33,794	31,108	44.4	41.1	1,499,129	1,280,005

¹ Forecasted July 1, 2006.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, July 12, 2006

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

Crop Year	Supply				Market Year Disappearance ¹				Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Pro- duction	Begin- ning stocks	Im- ports	Total	Domestic		Ex- ports	Total		
					Primary Use ²	Other				
Million Bushels										
Corn	\$/bu.									
2004/05	11,807	958	11	12,776	6,162	2,686	1,814	10,662	2,114	2.06
2005/06	11,112	2,114	11	13,237	6,100	2,975	2,100	11,175	2,062	1.95-2.00
2006/07 ³	10,740	2,062	10	12,812	6,050	3,535	2,150	11,735	1,077	2.25-2.65
Soybeans										
2004/05	3,124	112	6	3,242	1,696	187	1,103	2,986	256	5.74
2005/06	3,086	256	4	3,346	1,720	177	905	2,802	545	5.65
2006/07 ³	3,010	545	4	3,559	1,750	158	1,090	2,998	560	5.00-6.00
Wheat										
2004/05	2,158	546	71	2,775	910	263	1,063	2,235	540	3.40
2005/06	2,105	540	80	2,725	910	243	1,004	2,157	568	3.42
2006/07 ³	1,806	568	105	2,478	915	225	900	2,040	438	3.70-4.30
Sorghum										
2004/05	454	34	0	487	191	55	184	430	57	1.79
2005/06	394	57	0	451	150	55	195	400	51	1.75-1.80
2006/07 ³	350	51	0	401	110	60	185	355	46	2.05-2.45

¹Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ²Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food. ³Projection.

Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, July 12, 2006

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2005-2006**

State	July 1 Number on Feed ¹			June Placements			June Marketings			June Other Disappearance ²		
	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	324	344	106	29	34	117	35	30	86	1	1	100
California	520	530	102	73	73	100	63	74	117	5	4	80
Colorado	900	980	109	130	175	135	190	215	113	10	10	100
Idaho	260	230	88	70	58	83	54	55	102	1	3	300
Iowa	415	460	111	49	59	120	68	66	97	1	3	300
Kansas	2,200	2,280	104	400	445	111	465	550	118	15	15	100
Nebraska	1,820	1,990	109	290	370	128	510	490	96	10	10	100
New Mexico	132	140	106	26	33	127	18	27	150	3	1	33
Oklahoma	320	340	106	54	63	117	58	67	116	1	1	100
So. Dakota	161	180	112	26	29	112	48	41	85	3	3	100
Texas	2,950	2,980	101	550	530	96	480	500	104	10	10	100
Washington	142	148	104	41	39	95	35	31	89	1	1	100
Other States	250	270	108	31	43	139	59	57	97	2	1	50
United States	10,394	10,872	105	1,769	1,951	110	2,083	2,203	106	63	63	100

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, July 21, 2006

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, United States, July 1, 2004-2006

Class	United States			
	2004	2005	2006	2006/2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle and calves	103,400	104,500	105,700	101
Cows and heifers that have calved	42,400	42,800	43,000	100
Beef cows	33,400	33,750	33,850	100
Milk cows	9,000	9,050	9,150	101
Heifers 500 pounds and over	15,950	16,200	16,500	102
For beef cow replacement	4,800	5,000	5,000	100
For milk cow replacement	3,600	3,700	3,800	103
Other heifers	7,550	7,500	7,700	103
Steers 500 pounds and over	14,200	14,400	14,900	103
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,050	2,100	2,100	100
Calves under 500 pounds	28,800	29,000	29,200	101
Calf Crop ²	37,505	37,780	37,900	100

Source: USDA NASS Cattle, July 21, 2006

Lamb Crop and Market Sheep and Lambs: Inventory by Region and United States, July 1, 2006¹

Regions ²	Lambs Born Jan-Jun ³	Lambs Expected Jul-Dec ⁴	Total Lamb Crop	Breeding Ewes 1+ Jan. 1	Market Lambs					Market Sheep	Market Sheep and Lambs	All Sheep and Lambs
					Under 65 lbs.	65 to 84 lbs.	85 to 105 lbs.	Over 105 lbs.	Total			
					<i>1,000 Head</i>							
Region 1	530	200	730	703	140	140	125	60	465	15	480	1,280
Region 2	540	120	660	792	330	105	20	15	470	20	490	1,470
Region 3	1,280	20	1,300	1,074	810	155	95	110	1,170	20	1,190	2,650
Region 4	600	60	660	489	240	140	85	55	520	15	535	1,200
Region 5	670	80	750	599	275	90	45	20	430	10	440	1,170
United States	3,620	480	4,100	3,657	1,795	630	370	260	3,055	80	3,135	7,770

¹ Lamb crop is lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States. ² States included in regions as follows: 1 - AZ, CA, ID, NV, OR, & WA; 2 - NM & TX; 3 - CO, MT, SD, UT, & WY; 4 - IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, & OK; 5 - all other states.

³ Lambs born alive between January 1, through June 30, 2006. ⁴ Lambs expected to be born July through December 2006.

Source: USDA NASS Sheep, July 21, 2006

Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska and United States, 2005-2006

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		United States	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Milk Cows ¹				
January-March	60	60	9,002	9,094
April-June	60	61	9,041	9,134
Milk Production ²				
January-March	268	277	43,350	45,553
April-June	279	289	45,831	46,896

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, July 18, 2006

Milk Cows and Production: By Month, 23 Selected States, 2005-2006¹

Month	Milk Cows ²		Milk per Cow ³		Milk Production ³		
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	<i>Thousands</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	8,087	8,195	1,643	1,710	13,287	14,014	105
February	8,084	8,206	1,522	1,587	12,301	13,022	106
March	8,099	8,228	1,707	1,775	13,825	14,604	106
April	8,117	8,240	1,690	1,727	13,717	14,228	104
May	8,131	8,257	1,760	1,780	14,311	14,700	103
June	8,138	8,266	1,690	1,695	13,755	14,011	102
July	8,151		1,683		13,715		
August	8,162		1,671		13,640		
September	8,167		1,599		13,057		
October	8,168		1,637		13,373		
November	8,167		1,592		13,002		
December	8,179		1,663		13,599		
Annual	8,138		19,857		161,582		

¹ 2006 revised. ² Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ³ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, July 18, 2006

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